(b) if so, the number of such disputes relating to Karnataka which are pending with Government, Tribunals and Regulatory Authorities; and

(c) in what manner Government propose to settle the issues amicably and expeditiously?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAY PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV): (a) The inter-State water disputes over the sharing of river waters have affected the implementation of irrigation projects.

(b) and (c) The disputes relating to Karnataka are the Cauvery water dispute, Krishna water dispute and Mahadayi water dispute. The disputes related to cauvery waters and Krishna waters have been referred to Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal (CWDT) and Krishna Water Disputes Tribunal (KWDT) respectively. Ministry of Water Resources has been making efforts towards negotiated settlement of Mahadayi water dispute.

World Bank Assistance to Hydrology Project-II

2958. DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of States where Hydrology Project-II is proposed to be implemented with the help of World Bank assistance, district-wise;

(b) whether the project has been approved by the World Bank;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the terms on which this project has been accepted by the World Bank?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAY PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV): (a) The Hydrology Project-II is proposed to be implemented with the help of World Bank assistance in the following 13 States:

1. Andhra Pradesh
2. Chhattisgarh
3. Goa
4. Gujarat
5. Himachal Pradesh

6. Karnataka
7. Kerala
8. Madhya Pradesh
9. Maharashtra
10. Orissa
11. Pondicherry
12. Punjab
13. Tamil Nadu

(b) and (c) The Board of Executive Directors of International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) had approved a loan of US$105.51 million for the Hydrology Project-II.

(d) The project has been accepted by the World Bank on usual terms of World Bank funding, the main points being the following:

i. The loan is subject to the agreement with World Bank on general conditions, the loan, execution of the project and financial covenants for the project.

ii. The Project will be executed over a period of six years.

iii. The Borrower shall repay the principal amount of the loan in accordance with the loan agreement.

Study on water-scarce regions

2959. SHRI S.S. CHANDRAN: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have conducted any study/survey to assess the water-scarce regions in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government propose to formulate a comprehensive policy to provide water to water-scarce regions in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAY PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV): (a) to (c) specific studies/surveys with the objective to assess the water-scarce regions in the country has not been conducted. However, during the